

**FIG. 1**

**Replacement Sheet**

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CREATING A SPOT MARKET

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**TCP/IP LAYERING MODEL****FIG. 2**

# SPONSOR POSTS LOAD

TRANSPORTATION MARKETPLACE - MICROSOFT INTERNET EXPLORER	
FILE EDIT VIEW GO FAVORITES HELP	LINKS >>
ADDRESS <a href="http://uspgdv01/tesponsor_newlisting.html">HTTP://USPGDV01/TESPONSOR_NEWLISTING.HTML</a>	
FEBRUARY 8, 2000 5:25 PM (ALL TIMES ARE US EASTERN TIME)	
TRANSPORT MARKETPLACE	
<div> <div>SPONSOR</div> <div> <input type="radio"/> NEW LOAD <input type="radio"/> VIEW BIDS FOR A LOAD <input type="radio"/> REMOVE LOAD FROM MARKET <input type="radio"/> BIDDER INFO <input type="radio"/> VIEW CLOSED LOADS <input type="radio"/> LOGOUT </div> </div> <div> <div>FREEMARKETS HOME</div> <div> <input type="radio"/> REGISTRATION REQUIRED </div> </div>	<div> <div>POST NEW LOAD</div> <div>REQUIRED FIELDS ARE MARKED WITH A *</div> <div>REGISTER NUMBER: 111-2222</div> <div>REASON: SHORT LEAD TIME</div> <div>PICKUP LOCATION: SHIREMANSTOWN</div> <div>PICKUP DATE: 2/9/2000 5:13 PM</div> <div>PICKUP INSTRUCTIONS: TURN RIGHT AT THE LIGHT</div> <div>CUSTOMER NAME: JOE CUSTOMER</div> <div>CUSTOMER PHONE NO.: 111-2222</div> <div>SHIP TO ADDRESS: 1 CUSTOMER LANE</div> <div>CITY: NORMALVILLE</div> <div>STATE: NY</div> <div>ZIP: 11111</div> <div>REQUESTED ARRIVAL DATE: 2/10/2000 5:13 PM</div> <div>EQUIPMENT REQUIRED: 48'</div> <div>NUMBER OF PALLETS: 15</div> </div>

FIG. 3

## BIDDER RECEIVES EMAIL

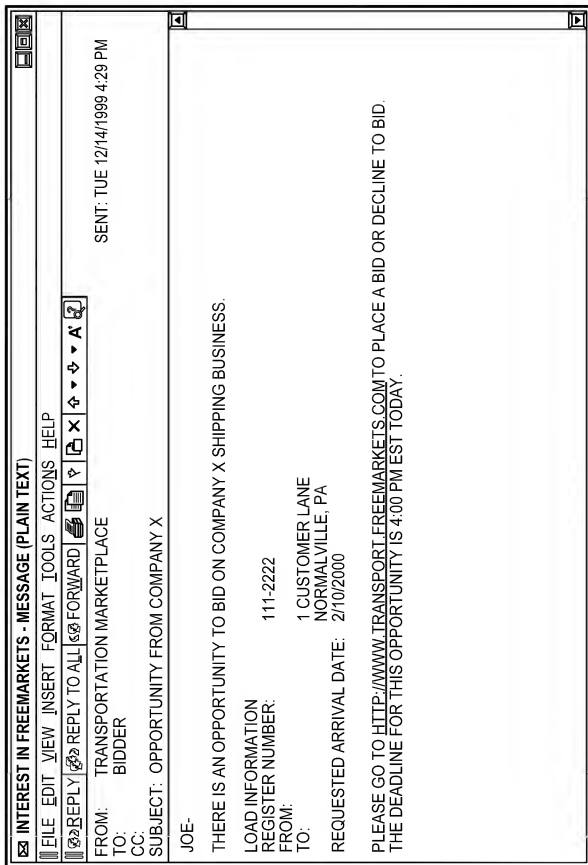


FIG. 4

## BIDDERS POST BIDS

TRANSPORTATION MARKETPLACE - MICROSOFT INTERNET EXPLORER	
FILE	EDIT     VIEW     GO     FAVORITES     HELP
LINKS >>	
ADDRESS: HTTP://USPGDV01/TEBIDDER.HTML	

## TRANSPORT MARKETPLACE

FEBRUARY 9, 2000 5:40 PM  
(ALL TIMES ARE US EASTERN TIME)

LOAD DETAILS			
REGISTER NUMBER :	111-2222	SHIP TO ADDRESS:	1 CUSTOMER LANE NORMALVILLE PA-11111
CUSTOMER NAME :	JOE CUSTOMER	CUSTOMER PHONE NO.:	111-2222
PICKUP INSTRUCTIONS :	TURN RIGHT AT THE LIGHT	EQUIPMENT REQUIRED:	48'
NUMBER OF PALLETS :	15	NO OF CASES:	72
PICKUP LOCATION :	SHIREMANSTOWN	WEIGHT:	500 LBS
REQUEST SUBMIT DATE/TIME :	2/8/00 5:43 PM	PICKUP DATE:	2/9/00 5:13 PM
REQUESTED ARRIVAL DATE :	2/10/00 5:13 PM	RESPONSE DEADLINE:	2/9/00 5:43 PM (EASTERN TIMEZONE)

ENTER THE VALUES HERE IF YOU WANT TO PLACE A BID:  
 MY BID/FLAT RATE) \$ 500      CHECK HERE IF THIS IS CONTRACT PRICE      ☐  
 COMMENTS(IF ANY)  
 MY CURRENT BID [I CAN MAKE IT BY 10 AM]

CLICK ON THIS BUTTON TO DECLINE FROM BIDDING FOR THIS LOAD:

[FREEMARKETS HOME](#)  
 REGISTRATION REQUIRED

**BIDDER**  
☐ OPPORTUNITIES  
☐ CLOSED LOADS  
☐ VIEW MY BIDS  
☐ CONFIRM AWARDED BID  
☐ LOGOUT



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<b>INTEREST IN FREEMARKETS - MESSAGE (PLAIN TEXT)</b>	
FILE EDIT VIEW INSERT FORMAT TOOLS ACTIONS HELP	SENT: TUE 12/14/1999 4:29 PM
REPLY (3)	FORWARD
FROM: TRANSPORTATION MARKETPLACE TO: BIDDER CC: SUBJECT: OPPORTUNITY FROM COMPANY X	
JOE-  YOU HAVE BEEN AWARDED BUSINESS BY COMPANY X.  LOAD INFORMATION REGISTER NUMBER: FROM: 111-2222 HARRISBURG 1 CUSTOMER LANE TO:   NORMALVILLE, PA  REQUESTED ARRIVAL DATE: 2/10/2000  PLEASE GO TO <a href="http://WWW.TRANSPORT.FREEMARKETS.COM">HTTP://WWW.TRANSPORT.FREEMARKETS.COM</a> TO CONFIRM THE AWARD. IF YOU DO NOT CONFIRM THE AWARD BY 4:30 EST, YOU WILL LOSE THE BUSINESS.	

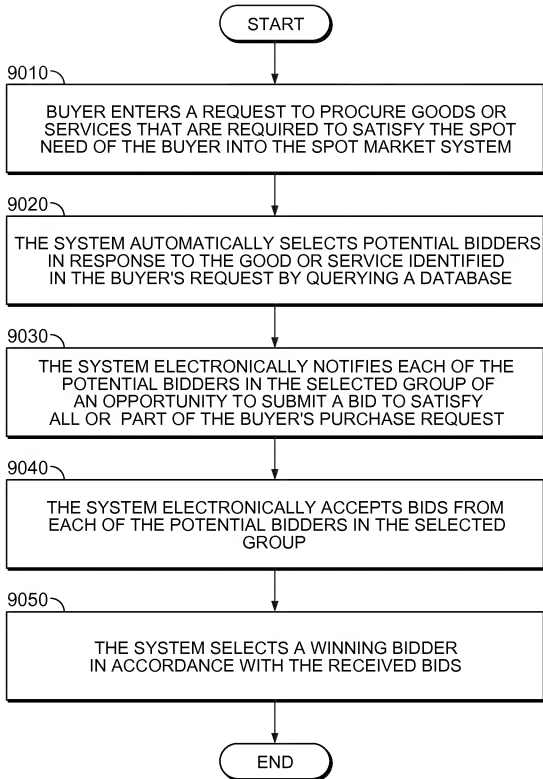
**FIG. 7**

## BIDDER CONFIRMS AWARD

TRANSPORTATION MARKETPLACE - MICROSOFT INTERNET EXPLORER			
FILE EDIT VIEW GO FAVORITES HELP Address  HTTP://USPGD001/TE/BIDDER.HTML		LINKS >	
BIDDER <input type="radio"/> OPPORTUNITIES <input type="radio"/> CLOSED LOADS <input type="radio"/> VIEW MY BIDS <input checked="" type="radio"/> CONFIRM AWARDED BID <input type="radio"/> LOGOUT		TRANSPORT MARKETPLACE FEBRUARY 8, 2000 6:43 PM (ALL TIMES ARE US EASTERN TIME)	
CONFIRM BID FOLLOWING BIDS ARE PENDING FOR YOUR CONFIRMATION TOTAL 1		REGISTER NUMBER BID REGISTER DATE - TIME CONTRACT BID VALUE CONFIRMATION DEADLINE (+ -1 MIN) CONFIRM BID 111-2222 2/8/00 5:41 PM NO \$500 2/8/00 6:13 PM <input type="button" value="ACCEPT"/>	
FREEMARKETS HOME <input type="button" value="REGISTRATION REQUIRED"/>		CALL 1-877-303-FMKT FOR HELP FROM 8:00 AM TO 5:00 PM (US EASTERN TIME) MONDAY - FRIDAY OR EMAIL QUESTIONS TO <a href="mailto:SUPPORT@FREEMARKETS.COM">SUPPORT@FREEMARKETS.COM</a> 24 HOURS A DAY	
LOCAL INTERNET ZONE			

FIG. 8





**FIG. 9**